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1. THERE FOLLOWS A SUGGESTED PROGRAM FOR CODEL DURING THEIR STOP IN
ISTANBUL JAN. 12-14. PROGRAM IS BASED ON ASSUMPTION CODEL WILL
VISIT ANKARA MOST OF THE 12TH.

2. TO PERMIT MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY FOR THEIR ANKARA VISIT AND TO GIVE
THEM A CHANCE TO CATCH THEIR BREATH WE HAVE NOT SCHEDULED ANY
FUNCTIONS THE EVENING OF THE 12TH.

3. JANUARY 13 - 0900 - SHORT BRIEFING BY CONSUL GENERAL ON
ISTANBUL AT INTERCONTINENTAL HOTEL OR AT CONSULATE GENERAL.

0945 - LEAVE HOTEL OR CONSULATE GENERAL BY CAR FOR HISTORIC
SECTOR ISTANBUL FOR GUIDED TOUR OF ST. SOPHIA, BLUE MOSQUE AND
SULTAN'S PALACE COMPLEX OF TOPKAPI (CONSULATE GENERAL IS ENROUTE
FROM HOTEL TO TOPKAPI).

1300 - 1500 - MEETING REPRESENTATIVES OF TURKISH
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INDUSTRIALISTS AND BUSINESSMEN'S ASSOCIATION (TUSIAD) AND
LUNCH. TUSIAD HAS IN PAST YEARS SENT DELEGATIONS TO U.S.
WHICH MET THEN PRESIDENT FORD, VICE-PRESIDENT MONDALE AND
MEMBERS OF CONGRESS TO DISCUSS PROBLEMS AFFECTING U.S./TURKEY
RELATIONS. IF WIVES PREFERRED NOT TO ATTEND MEETING,
ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE FOR THEM TO LUNCH AT TURKISH RESTAURANT,
PERHAPS, IN TOPKAPI AREA AND AFTERWARDS GO DIRECTLY FROM THERE TO THE

GRAND BAZAAR.

1500 - CODEL HAVE ALTERNATIVE OF (A) VISITING GRAND BAZAAR
OR (B) TOURING BOSPHOROUS ON ADMIRAL'S BARGE OF
U.S. ARMY DETACHMENT. GROUP COULD BE DIVIDED IF SOME WISHED
THE BOSPHOROUR TOUR AND OTHERS THE BAZAAR.

1730 - RETURN TO HOTEL.

1900 - RECEPTION GIVEN BY CONSUL GENERAL TO MEET
MEMBERS TURKISH AND AMERICAN COMMUNITIES.

4. JANUARY 14 - 0800 - CODEL LEAVES HOTEL FOR AIRPORT. BAGGAGE
WILL BE TAKEN TO AIRPORT AT 0730.

5. THE ABOVE PROGRAM CAN, OF COURSE, BE ALTERED ACCORDING
WISHES OF CODEL. IN INTEREST OF LOGISTICS AND SECURITY, HOWEVER,
WE WOULD PREFER THAT AS FAR AS POSSIBLE, CODEL BE CONFINED TO
TWO GROUPS WHEN TOURING. WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE THAT SECURITY
WILL BE A PROBLEM BUT IS IS A CONSIDERATION. IN DUE COURSE,
WE WILL BE INFORMING TURKISH SECURITY WHO WILL HAVE PLAIN
CLOTHESMEN DISCREETLY SURVEILLING AREAS WHICH CODEL
VISIT.

6. TO ENABLE TUSIAD TO MAKE PREPARATIONS, WE NEET TO KNOW SOONEST
WHETHER CODEL WISHES TO MEET WITH THEM. TUSIAD ANXIOUS TO HAVE
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MEETING BUT UNDERSTAND THAT CODEL'S SCHEDULE MAY NOT PERMIT.

7. AS ISTANBUL IS MEDIA CENTER OF TURKEY, WE MAY BE ASKED BY
JOURNALISTS FOR INTERVIEWS WITH CODEL MEMBERS. WE SUGGEST
PRESS INERVIEWS BE AVOIDED EXPLAINING THAT BREVITY OF VISIT,
WHICH IS LARGELY ONE OF ORIENTATION, DOES NOT PERMIT. WOULD
APPRECIATE GUIDANCE.

8. IS COLONEL MAUPIN POINT OF CONTACT WITHIN CODEL FOR OUR
CONTROL OFFICER?

9. WE LOOK FORWARD TO CODEL VISIT AND WOULD APPRECIATE
CODEL VIEWS ON ABOVE PROGRAM SOONEST.
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